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SUBJECT: NOMINATIONS FOR LEADER CRANTEES

REF: (A) STATE 170494; (B) STATE 182813;

1. POST WOULD LIKE TO NOMINATE JOSHUA KHUMALO AND A.F.M. THWALA FOR IV LEADER GRANTS TO VISIT THE UNITED STATES FROM OCTOBER 10 THROUG NOVEMBER 5. KHUMALO IS A SIDTINGUISHED JRIST, AND THWALA IS ACTING CROWN COUNSEL. THEIR VISIT WOULD BE BULT AROUND ATTENDANCE AT THE CONFERENCE ON THE LAW OF THE WORLD, TO BE HELD IN WASHINGTON OCTOBER 12-17.

2. POST BELIEVES THAT THE VISIT OF KHUMALO AND THWALA WOULD ALSO SIGNIFICANTLY AND POSITIVELY AFFECT THE HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE IN SWAZIALND (REF B). KHUMALO IS A CITIZEN OF THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA, BUT HAS SERVED IN SWAZILAND SINCE INDEPENDENCE AND MAY BECOME A SWAZI CITIZEN. HE IS A WELL QUALIFIED JURIST, WITH A DESERVED REPUTATION FOR INTEGRITY AND COMPETENCE. THWALA IS A YOUNG AND AMBITIOUS SWAZI. HE HAS BEEN SELECTED BY THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE AS THE FIRST SWAZI CROWN COUNSEL OF THIS SMALL KINGDOM. FOR BOTH, FOUR WEEKS IN THE UNITED STATES SHOULD HAVE A POSITIVE AFFECT ON THEIR PERFORMANCE AND JUDGMENT ON HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUES.

3. AS DEPT AWARE, MBABANE HAS PREVIOUSLY NOMINATED
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KHUMALO FOR IV GRANT BUT WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO PERSUADE

GOS TO CONCUR. WE THEREFORE RECOMMEND THAT DEPT
APPROACH CHIRLES. S. RHYNE, PRESIDENT OF WORLD PEACE
THROUGH LAW CENTER, 400 HILL BUILDING, WASHINGTON, D.C.
20006. TELEPHONE 347-7992, AND REQUEST THAT HE ADDRESS
A LETTER, THROUGH THIS EMBASSY, TO THE MINISTRY OF JUSTICE
INVITING KHUMALO AND THAWLA TO THE CONFERENCE. SUCH
AN D INVITATION SHOULD APPRECIABLY ASSIST OUR EFFORTS TO
PERSUADE GOS TO GRANT PERMISSION FOR THWALA AND KHUMALO
TO ATTEND CONFERENCE.

4. DETAILED BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON THWALA IS CONTAINED
IN MBABANE 431, OF MARCH 7, 1975; INFO ON KHUMALO IS IN
MBABANE A-105 OF NOVEMBER 19, 1973.

5. ALTERNATE FOR THWALA IS DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL
D. LUKHELE; ALTERNATE FOR KHUMALO IS PERMANENT SECRETARY
MINISTER OF JUSTICE AUTHUR KOHZA.
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